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1. USLO HAS RECEIVED VISA APPLICATION FOR THE TEN-MAN

CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

(CCPIT) DELEGATION WHICH PLANS TO DEPART PEKING
SEPTEMBER 4, 1975 FOR A VISIT TO THE U.S. AT THE IN-
VITATION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR U.S.-CHINA TRADE
(NCUSCT). NAMES, AGES AND PLACES OF BIRTH OF THE
DELEGATION MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED REFTEL WHICH WE
BELIEVE ALSO LISTS THE GROUP IN PROTOCOL ORDER. USLO
HAS FOLLOWING FURTHER BIO INFORMATION ON SOME MEMBERS
OF THE DELEGATION:

2. AL LI CH'UAN, VICE PRESIDENT OF CCPIT AND DELEGATION
HEAD, HAS BEEN VP OF CCPIT SINCE APRIL 1962 OR POSSIBLE
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EARLIER. HE HAS TRAVELED TO LATIN AMERICA, EASTERN AND

WESTERN EUROPE, AFRICA, NORTH KOREA AND THE USSR. PRIOR TO 1962 HE MAY HAVE WORKED ON SINO-SOVIET TRADE AFFAIRS, SINCE HE ONCE TOLD A USLO OFFICER THAT HE HAD TRAVELED TO THE SOVIET UNION MANY TIMES "WHEN RELATIONS WERE GOOD AND WHEN THEY WERE BAD."

3. LI APPEARED TO HAVE CHINESE RESPONSIBILITY IN CCPIT FOR DEALING WITH AMERICANS WHEN USLO FIRST OPENED, BUT IN THE FALL OF 1973 HE FELL ILL AND APPARENTLY FOR THAT REASON DID NOT HOST THE NCUSCT DELEGATION WHICH VISITED CHINA THAT NOVEMBER (INSTEAD CCPIT VP LI YUNG-TING DID THE HONORS). FOR ABOUT A YEAR NOW, IT HAS BEEN EVIDENT THAT LI WAS FULLY RECOVERED FROM HIS PREVIOUS ILLNESS AND HIS APPEARANCES HAVE AGAIN SUGGESTED THAT HE IS CCPIT'S TOP U.S. MAN. LI IS A QUIET, RESERVED, BUT FRIENDLY MAN WHO HAS OFTEN GIVEN US THE CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT HE HOPED TO LEAD THIS MISSION. HE SEEMS TO UNDERSTAND SOME ENGLISH BUT HAS NOT BEEN HEARD TO SPEAK IT. HE IS DEAF IN HIS RIGHT EAR.

5. B) TIEN KUANG-T'AO IS GENERALMANAGER OF THE CHINA NATIONAL METALS AND MINERALS IMPORT AND EXPORT CORP. WE HAVE SEEN LITTLE OF TIEN SINCE USLO WAS ESTABLISHED BUT IN AN INITIAL CALL OUR C/E OFFICERS FOUND HIM FRIENDLY, OUTGOING, AND INTERESTED IN PROMOTING A DIVERSIFIED RANGE OF EXPORTS TO THE U.S. WE DO NOT KNOW IF TIEN SPEAKS ENGLISH.

5. C) HAN PIAO IS DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CHINA NATIONAL NATIVE PRODUCE AND ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION IN CHARGE OF ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS. WE HAVE NO OTHER INFORMATION ON HAN EXCEPT THAT HE SERVED AS DEPUTY HEAD OF THIS YEAR'S CHINESE DELEGATION TO NEGOTIATE THE PRC'S ANNUAL TRADE AGREEMENT WITH MONGILIA.

6. D) CH'ENG CHI-HSIEN IS DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER (FOR IMPORTS) OF THE CHINA NATIONAL MACHINERY IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION WHICH WE BELIEVE MAKES HIM THE SECOND HIGHEST RANKING OFFICIAL IN THIS IMPORTANT CORPORATION. HE IS A SLIGHTLY CRUSTY INDIVIDUAL BUT HAS A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR. IN A RECENT CONVERSATION WITH A USLO OFFICER HE APPEARED PLEASED AT THE PROSPECT OF VISITING THE U.S. WE HAVE NOT HEARD HIM SPEAK IN ENGLISH, THOUGH HE MAY UNDERSTAND SOME.

7. E) LIU SHAO-SHAN IS A MEMBER OF CCPIT'S LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.

7. F) HAN LI-FU, DEPUTY MANAGER OF MACHIMPEX FOURTH DEPARTMENT (INSTRUMENTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS) IS AN IMPRESSIVE MAN, BOTH FOR HIS SHARP INTELLECT AND HIS ERECT, ALMOST MILITARY BEARING. HE HAS DEALT WITH A

NUMBER OF U.S. FIRMS INCLUDING RCA, AND RECENTLY PLAYED A ROLE IN HOSTING AN AMERICAN DELEGATION FROM THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (PEKING 1079). HAN HAS A GOOD COMMAND OF ENGLISH.

8. G) YEH CHUNG-CH'I IS A CCPIT STAFF MEMBER WHO HAS BEEN REGULARLY INVOLVED IN U.S. MATTERS SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF USLO. HE IS COMPETENT AND FRIENDLY, AND WILL BE REMEMBERED BY MEMBERS OF THE 1973 NCUSCT DELEGATION WHOM HE ESCORTED ON THEIR TRIP TO SHANGHAI, HANGCHOW AND CANTON. HE SPEAKS ENGLISH WELL.

9. H) WANG KEN-LIANG IS A CCPIT ENGLISH INTERPRETER WITH A GOOD COMMAND OF ENGLISH AND A FRIENDLY, PERSONABLE MANNER. LIKE YEH, HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON U.S. AFFAIRS FOR SOME TIME, AND HE SERVED AS INTERPRETER DURING THE NCUSCT VISIT IN 1973.

10 USLO HAS NO INFORMATION ON KAO FENG AND HO CHI, THE TWO REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION, BUT WILL REPORT ANY INFORMATION WHICH MAY BECOME AVAILABLE. ALTHOUGH THIS MESSAGE IS CLASSIFIED LOU WE ASSUME FULL SUBSTANCE WILL BE PASSED TO NCUSCT.
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